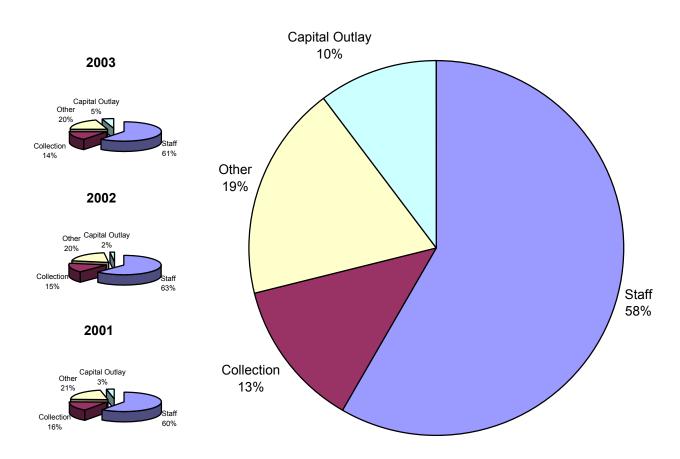
PUBLIC LIBRARY OPERATING EXPENDITURES - 2004



Arizona public libraries in 2004 reported standard operating expenses of \$129 million, plus \$14.7 million in capital outlay.

The chart to the near left shows percentages of operating expenditures by category for 2004.

The largest expenditure was staff salaries, wages, and benefits (\$84,597,324). The "other" category, which included money spent for electronic access; preservation; plant operations, security and maintenance; furniture and equipment followed at \$27,029,521. The smallest expense was collection at \$18,430,942.

Charts to the far left show percentages for 2003, 2002, 2001.